

supplement cancer research efforts that are underway.

The President said cancer research is at an inflection point, and he is right. One need only to look at the groundbreaking work on immunotherapy underway at the Roswell Park Cancer Institute in Buffalo to see how far the science has come.

Last year Congress came together to increase funding to the National Institutes of Health by \$2 billion, including a 5 percent increase to the National Cancer Institute. Now is not the time to let up. It is time to accelerate and expand our Nation's cancer fight.

Next month the House will consider a budget resolution. I call on House leaders to stand behind our scientists to support Americans living with cancer and to include robust funding for cancer research.

SHAKESPEARE'S FIRST FOLIOS

(Mr. DOLD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DOLD. Mr. Speaker, just across the street is the world's largest Shakespeare collection. The Folger Shakespeare Library is home to more Shakespeare "First Folios" than anywhere else in the world.

Published in 1623, the "First Folio" is the first printed collection of Shakespeare's plays. Without it, 18 plays, including "Macbeth," "Julius Caesar," and "The Tempest," could have been lost.

This year, as part of a national celebration marking the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death, the Folger Shakespeare Library is touring a "First Folio" around the country. Schoolchildren, theater lovers, and Shakespeare enthusiasts alike will witness with their own eyes the book that gave us Shakespeare.

During the month of February, the 10th District of Illinois is hosting the "First Folio." The Lake County Forest Preserve District's Lake County Discovery Museum has the honor to present the exhibition "First Folio! The Book That Gave Us Shakespeare."

This will offer the public a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see this influential and treasured book and experience the powerful words of William Shakespeare.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage everyone who is able to take advantage of this amazing opportunity.

MOURNING THE HONORABLE GILBERT KAHELE

(Ms. GABBARD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. GABBARD. Mr. Speaker, this morning in Hawaii, in just a couple of hours, the people of the Aloha State are gathering at the Hawaii State Capitol to perform the Kanikau, a morning

chant, as they bid farewell and celebrate the life of a great man and dedicated public servant who passed away suddenly last week.

The Honorable Gilbert Kahele was born in a small fishing village in Milolii on May 15, 1942. He is a native Hawaiian, a very talented musician, and a community activist who selflessly served our country as a U.S. marine, served Hawaii as a State senator, and served his community of Hawaii as a fierce advocate.

I saw Gil recently here in Washington, D.C., just a few months ago, where, as always, he was ready with a smile, a hug, and warm aloha.

My heart is with the Kahele 'ohana and all of Hawaii island as today we celebrate Gil's life of service and the positive impact he made on countless lives.

Gil, mahalo nui loa for dedicating your life to serving others and for demonstrating how much we can achieve when we work together in the spirit of aloha.

PUNXSUTAWNEY PHIL PREDICTS EARLY SPRING

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with good news. Early this morning in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, located in the Commonwealth's Fifth Congressional District, Punxsutawney Phil predicted an early spring.

In the 130 years Phil has predicted the weather on February 2, this is only the 18th time that he has called for an early spring. Now, I know that I join many of my colleagues from across the Nation in a bipartisan fashion in hoping that this prediction comes true.

Groundhog Day means so much to Punxsutawney and the communities which surround it. This tradition has its roots which go back centuries, but the celebration in Punxsutawney got a start in 1886, one year before the first trek to the celebration's official home of Gobbler's Knob.

Since the start of the celebration, Phil has been joined on February 2 by movie stars such as Bill Murray and several Governors of Pennsylvania. And, yes, I have attended the festivities a few times. Phil even visited President Ronald Reagan at the White House.

It is wonderful to see such dedication from the people of Punxsutawney to this great tradition, which brings in visitors from across the world to Pennsylvania.

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LET'S MAKE 2016 A YEAR OF ACTION

(Ms. KELLY of Illinois asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KELLY of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, our economy has made solid gains since 2009. We have added millions of jobs. Businesses are hiring. Our economy is growing.

In the Second District, we are seeing signs of recovery through small business growth and new startups like The New Look Restaurant and Bar owned by Nate and Cleo Pendleton.

But the fact remains that the American Dream still remains out of reach for far too many families. Today 8 million Americans are searching for well-paying jobs 7 years after the end of the recession.

Each year at my annual jobs fair, I meet hundreds of these qualified Americans who are tired of searching for good jobs. They are single mothers in night school. They are fathers working two part-time jobs to keep a roof over their family's heads. They are veterans who survived the fight abroad only to fight for employment at home. They are seniors who have to reenter the workforce after their retirement savings were wiped out.

These Americans deserve a government that will pass impactful jobs legislation. Let's make 2016 a year of action and economic prosperity.

COMMEMORATING 25 YEARS OF SERVICE FOR TRINITY BAPTIST COMMUNITY CHURCH INTER- NATIONAL

(Mr. HULTGREN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HULTGREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate 25 years of faithful service carried out by members at Trinity Baptist Community Church International in Crystal Lake, Illinois.

Founded in 1991 by Senior Pastor Bishop Dr. Michael J. Love, the church has been a light to the surrounding community and to people around the world, demonstrating in word and deed Christ's command to love one's neighbor as oneself.

Through a myriad of initiatives, members have provided job skills training to struggling workers and relief to the impoverished.

Bishop Love's prison outreach ministry is well known to McHenry County and is a respected partner to the McHenry County Correctional Facility. Their diligence demonstrates the integral role faith plays in our local communities by bringing people together, united by common beliefs to help each other.

Like the Good Samaritan, they understand that "neighbor" sometimes includes those outside of their communities. That is why they have been involved with over 100 ministries across the globe, sharing the gospel and serving the people of Haiti, India, and the Dominican Republic, among others.

May God bless Trinity Baptist in its next 25 years of service.